installed capacity of hydroelectric stations is indicated below:

	Region	Installed Capacity* (MW)
1.	Northern	7138.85
2.	Western	3013.13
3.	Southern	8504.69
4.	Eastern	1679.92
5.	North-Eastern	492.45
	Total	20829.04

*As on 31.3.95

Electrification of villages in Pauri Garhwal, Uttar Pradesh

7381. SHRI ANANT RAM JAISWAL: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of villa ges in District Pauri Garhwal, U.P. which could not be covered under "Gramin Vidyutikan.an Yojana";

(b) whether Government propose to conduct any survey to provide electricity to Jabroli-Pinani and nearby villages in the said district in the near future; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof and by when all the villages are likely to be electrified in Pauri Garhwal in U.P.?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI) URMILABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL): (a) As reported by Uttar Pradesh State Electricity Board there are 1137 inhabited villages yet to be electrified in Pauri Garhwal district of Uttar Pradesh as on 31.3. 1995.

(b) Rural Electrification Programmes are formulated and executed by the respective State Electricity Eoaras aborning to the priority tix-eu by the State authorities. Uttar Pradesh State Electricity Board (UPSEB) proposes to electrify 69 villages in Pauri Garhwal district during the year 1995-96. The selec-tion of villages to be taken up for electrification is made by the UPSEB on the advice of District Power Advisory Committee.

(c) The remaining unelectrified villages will be electrified in the Eighth and subsequent Five Year I Plans, subject to availabiltiy of funds and other inputs.

Thermal Power Projects in joint private! sector

7882. SHRI K. M. KHAN: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether some thermal power projects, either in the joint/private sector, have been set up in some States [Union Territories during the last three years;

(b) if so, the location of each, State and Union Territory-wise with names of parties in joint sec tor including the names of private owners;

(c) whether establishment of power projects either in joint/private sec tor has benefited the people in any way;

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether Government propose to set up some more power projects either in joint/private sectors in some more States/Union Territories in 1995-96; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MTNISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWFR (SHRIMATI URMILABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL): (a) and (b) The requisite

details in respect of thermal power projects set up in the joint/private sector during the last three years are given below:

Name of the Project/Capacity		Date of Commissioning	Name of the party
1 Trombay Combined Cycle Gas Turbine Station (180 MW) (120 MW GT+60 MW ST)			M/s. Tata Electric Company, Bombay.
Gas Turbine		29-7-1993	
Steam Turbine (ST)		09-12-1994	
2 Dahanu Thermal Power Station (500MW) (2×250 MW)	Unit-1	6-1-1995	M/s Bombay Suburban Electricity Supply Company, Bombay,
	Unit-2	29-3-1995	

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir, The insta llation of the above station has increased the availability of power for the benefit of the people of Maharashtra by 680 MW.

(e) and (f). No thermal power project is expected to be commissioned during the year 1995-96 under the joint/private sector, as the gestation period required in respect of the on-going thermal power projects is not over.

NAMRUP Thermal Power Project

7883. SHRI BHADRESWAR GOHAIN : Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Government of Assam has decided to sell out the prestigious Namrup Thermal Power Project to a private company;

(b) whether it is also a fact that some understanding have been arrived at by the Government of Assam with the Reliance Industries; and

(c) if so, whether Government would discourage such a move by the Government of Assam and implement the project on its own?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINIS FRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI URMILABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL): (a) and (b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Power shortage in Tamil Nadu

7884. SHRI TINDIVANAM G. VENKATRAMAN: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Tamil Nadu is facing power shortage at present;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether any report have been received from Government of Tamil Nadu in this connection; and

(d) if so, what follow-up action has been oaken by Government there on?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATl URMILABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL); (a) During the period 1994-95, the energy requirement of Tamil Nadu was 29570 Million Units against the availability of 28730 Million Units which represents a shortage off 2.8 per cent as against an all